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Maybe dot you don'd rememper,
Eighdeen — dwendy years ago,
How I dold aboutt mine Yawcob —
Dot young rashkell, don'd you know,
Who got schicken-box und measles;
Filled mine bipe mit Limburg scheeze;
Cut mine cane up indo dhrum-schticks,
Und blay all sooch dricks as dhese.



Vell! dhose times dhey vas been ofer,
 Und dot son off mine, py shings!
Now vas taller as hees fader,
 Und vas oup to all sooch dhings
Like shimnastic dricks und pase pall;
 Und der oder day he say
Dot he boxes mit “adthledics,”
 Somevheres ofer on Back Bay.



Times vas deeferent, now, I dold you,
As vhen he vas been a lad;
Dhen Katrine she make hees drowsers
Vrom der oldt vones off hees dad;
Dhey vas cut so full und baggy
Dot id dook more as a fool
To find oudt eef he vas going,
Or vas coming home vrom school.



Now, dhere vas no making ofer
 Off mine clothes to make a suit
For dot poy --- der times vas schanged ;
 “ Der leg vas on der oder boot” ;
For vhen hees drowsers dhey gets dhin,
 Und sort off “ schlazy ” roundt der knee,
Dot Mrs. Strauss she dake der sceessors
 Und she cuts dhem down for me.

Shust der oder day dot Yawcob
 Gife me von elecdric shock,
When he say he vants fife-hundord
 To invesht in railroadt shtock.
Dhen I dell him id vas beddher
 Dot he leaf der shtocks alone,
Or some feller dot vos schmardter
 Dake der meat und leaf der bone.



Und when I vas got oxcited,
Und say he get "schwiped" und fooled,
Dhen he say he haf a "pointer"
Vrom soom friendts off Sage und Gould ;
Und dot he vas on "rock bottom";
Had der "inside track" on "Atch—"
Dot vas too mooch for hees fader,
Und I coom oup to der scratch.



Dhen in bolitics he dabbles,
 Und all qvesdions, great und schmall,
Make no deeferent to dot Yawcob —
 For dot poy he knows id all.
Und he say dot dhose oldt fogies
 Must be laid oup on der shelf,
Und der governors und mayors
 Should pe young men -- like himself.



Vell! I vish I vas dransborted
 To dhose days off long ago,
When dot schaffer beat der milk-ban,
 Und schkydoodled droo der schnow.
I could schtand der mumbs und measles,
 Und der ruckshuns in der house;
Budt mine presentd dribulations
 Was too mooch for Meester Strauss.



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